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Russell Morris Tenant House

Green Spring Valley Road

Private Residence

This log and frame tenant house on the Russell Morris property predates the main house and probably existed in the early 19th century. The log portion measures  $16\frac{1}{2}$  by  $20\frac{1}{2}$  feet, both storeys are of log construction and there is a large interior-end chimney. The house probably originally belonged to the Cockeys.

## INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

Russell Morris Tenant House

**2 LOCATION**

STREET &amp; NUMBER

Green Spring Valley Road

CITY, TOWN

Brooklandville

— VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

District 3

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Baltimore

**3 CLASSIFICATION**

## CATEGORY

☐ DISTRICT☒ BUILDING(S)☐ STRUCTURE☐ SITE☐ OBJECT

## OWNERSHIP

☐ PUBLIC☒ PRIVATE☐ BOTH

## PUBLIC ACQUISITION

☐ IN PROCESS☐ BEING CONSIDERED

## STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED☐ UNOCCUPIED☐ WORK IN PROGRESS

## ACCESSIBLE

☒ YES: RESTRICTED☐ YES: UNRESTRICTED☐ NO

## PRESENT USE

☐ AGRICULTURE☐ COMMERCIAL☐ EDUCATIONAL☐ ENTERTAINMENT☐ GOVERNMENT☐ INDUSTRIAL☐ MILITARY☐ MUSEUM☐ PARK☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE☐ RELIGIOUS☐ SCIENTIFIC☐ TRANSPORTATION☐ OTHER:**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Russell E. Morris

Telephone #:

STREET &amp; NUMBER

Green Spring Valley Road

CITY, TOWN

— VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**COURTHOUSE,  
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

County Courts Building

Liber #: 3862

Folio #: 338

STREET &amp; NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

Towson

STATE

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE

DATE

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR  
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

# 7 DESCRIPTION

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## CONDITION

—EXCELLENT  
☒GOOD  
—FAIR

—DETERIORATED  
—RUINS  
—UNEXPOSED

## CHECK ONE

—UNALTERED  
☒ALTERED

## CHECK ONE

☒ORIGINAL SITE  
—MOVED DATE \_\_\_\_\_

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Northwest of the barn, facing west, closely oriented to the road, is a tenant house of log and frame, predating the principal structures on this property. Extensive refinishing of the interior, probably ca. 1900 and again in more recent years, conceals and/or replaces virtually all original interior detailing and it is impossible to determine the date of this structure. It probably dates from the early nineteenth century. The tenant house is two storeys in height with a one-storey shed-roofed wing against the rear, a one storey shed-roofed porch extending across the front. Exterior walls are sheathed in German siding. The northerly three bays are of log construction and the southerly three are of frame.

The log section measures approximately 16½ by 20½ feet and both storeys are of log construction. A door is centered in the west front and a 6/6 window with 8" x 10" lights and heavy muntins is in each flanking bay. A 6/6 window is in each outer bay in the second storey. An interior chimney rises at the north end. Within is a single large room, formerly two. A fireplace is at the north end and the winding staircase to the second floor is enclosed between the chimney and the north wall. The ceiling and the walls are plastered and trim is of the late nineteenth century and modern. Two small rooms are in the second storey, the northerly with a small fireplace, and all finishes are similar to those below. A cellar extends beneath this section, accessible only from the outside, and the first floor joists are of log.

The shed kitchen which extends behind the log section is of frame construction and it probably predates the two storey frame southerly section which extends the form of the log section by an additional 15½ feet. It, too, is three bays in length, with similar but larger fenestration. Interior details and circular-sawn structure suggest ca. 1900 as the date of its construction.

A two storey frame chauffer's house is north of the tenant house, built ca. 1929.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

**8 SIGNIFICANCE**

PERIOD		AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW				
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)		
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION				

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

This log and frame tenant house on the Russell Morris property predates the main house and probably existed in the early 19th century. The log portion is 16½ by 20½ feet, both storeys are of log construction and there is a large interior-end chimney. The house is characteristic of early log constructions and was probably original to the Cockey estate.

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**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

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**10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY \_\_\_\_\_

## VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

See title search, attached

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

**11 FORM PREPARED BY**

NAME / TITLE

James T. Wollon , Darlene Owings Schultz

ORGANIZATION

The Valleys Planning Council

DATE

8/30/79

STREET &amp; NUMBER

212 Washington Ave.

TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN

Towson

STATE

Md.

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

The Survey and Inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

RETURN TO: Maryland Historical Trust  
The Shaw House, 21 State Circle  
Annapolis, Maryland 21401  
(301) 267-1438

TITLE SEARCH  
Russell Morris Tenant House

Tax Map 59, Parcel 212

<u>Liber</u>	<u>Folio</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Grantor</u>	<u>Grantee</u>
3862	338	July 5, 1961	Lucy T Howard etal	Russell E. Morris, Jr. Beginning at a point SW 42.92' of a point in Valley Road thence leaving Valley Road and binding Greenspring Ave. Containing 6.6 acres
419	510	Nov. 12, 1913	Decatur H. Miller	Lucy C. Inglehart
281	129	Nov. 4, 1904	Emma W. Fulton	Decatur H. Miller
261	556	Feb. 5, 1903	Fannie A. Winchester	Emma W. Fulton
190	476	Jan. 26, 1892	Felix Angus	Fannie A. Winchester
190	473	Jan 25, 1892	Charles O. Cockey	Annie E. Angus Charles O. Cockey appointed trustee See Judicial Record 121/391, Emily J. Cockey <u>vs.</u> Annie C. Cockey October 13, 1887

Being part of "Addition to Cockeys Delight"

WG 178	315	Aug. 3, 1825	Elizabeth Cockey etal	Samuel Cockey
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